

McCormick County

Libraries

Libraries are a great place to get access to computers and internet. Call a library to ensure computer/internet availability and to check their operating hours.

McCormick County Library 201 Railroad Avenue McCormick, SC 29835 864-852-2821

How to Get Internet at Home

To get internet at home, contact an internet service provider (ISP). Most ISPs cover specific locations by zip code. Below is a list of ISPs that provide service in McCormick County. It is important to provide a physical address to confirm service is available at your home. For more information use the internet speed and Affordable Connectivity Handout.

Internet Service Provider	Phone Number	Low-cost Plan Available	Affordable Connectivity Program Participant	Lifeline Program
West Carolina Rural Tele. Coop	864-446-2111	No	Yes	Yes
HughesNet	844-908-2558	No	Yes	No
AT&T	855-972-4177	No	Yes- (\$0 plan with ACP)	Yes
Viasat	866-331-0059	No	Yes	No
Brightspeed	866-963-6665	No	Yes	Yes

How to Get Internet on the Go

Some businesses offer free wireless internet (WIFI) connectivity to customers. Burger King 209 S Mine St. McCormick, SC 29835

Where Can I Purchase a device (Computer, Tablet, Chromebook) ?

Online - PC's for People - <u>https://www.pcsforpeople.org/</u>

This digital resource guide is not a comprehensive list of services in McCormick County. If your organization provides computers or internet services, in this area, contact Palmetto Care Connections at 803-450-1053 to be added to the guide.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION AFFORDABLE INTERNET SOLUTIONS

Below are two (2) programs that can help eligible households afford telephone and/or internet services.

Lifeline Program

Lifeline is an FCC program that helps make telephone and internet services more affordable for consumers.

The benefit provides:



 Lifeline Eligibility

 Household Size
 Monthly Income

 1
 \$1,640

 2
 \$2,219

 3
 \$2,797

 4
 \$3,375

 5
 \$3,953

 Add \$578 for each additional inversion

Who is eligible?

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Has an income that is at or below 135% Federal Poverty Guidelines
- SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, or SSI

Affordable Connectivity Program

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) is an FCC program that helps connect families and households struggling to afford internet service. One benefit per household.



Who is eligible?

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Has an income that is at or below 200% Federal Poverty Guidelines
- SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, or WIC
- Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program, including USDA Community Eligibility Provision schools.
- Veterans Pension or Survivor Benefits
- Received a Federal Pell Grant in the current award year.

If you are a Lifeline benefit recipient, you are qualified to receive the ACP as well.

TWO STEPS TO ENROLL

Go to **getinternet.gov or lifelinesupport.org** to submit an application or print out a mail-in application.

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Once you have been approved and received a code, then contact your preferred participating provider to select a plan and have the discount applied to your bill.

Some providers may have an alternative application that they will ask you to complete.

Eligible households must both apply for the program and contact a participating provider to select a service plan.

For more information or questions about the application, please call



at 803-450-1053